

MBA

NEWS and VIEWS

MBA NEWS and VIEWS is abounding in news since this effort is our first of the year. We hope it will not be the last. Your boys distinguished themselves in so many arenas that the task of bringing some of these recognitions together boggles the imagination and consumes the ink. We trust you will enjoy these informal meanderings through life on the MBA campus as much as we enjoy writing about them.

First, let me express my gratitude for the reception Linda and I have received from MBA students, parents, faculty, alumni, and friends. We have found MBA to be the exceptional school all reports indicated, and we treasure the many friendships that have already developed. Our commitment to you is to maintain the excellence you expect in the program for your son.

Education is a cooperative endeavor, a triangle, if you will, of student, parent, teacher. I hope the channels of communication will always remain completely open and you will feel perfectly free to call on members of our staff at any time.

As the first semester of the 1979-1980 draws to a close, we cannot help but be very proud of a number of young men who have distinguished themselves this year.

MERIT SEMIFINALISTS AND COMMENDEES ANNOUNCED

The National Merit Scholarship Program announces the following MBA Semifinalists in the 1980 Merit competition: Steve Bruehl, Scott Campbell, Warren Coleman, Bill Galloway, Galen Gentry, Randy Henderson, Freddie Horton, Joe Knight, Russell Marianelli, Josh May, Andy Nelson, and Michael Salyer. Also named were the following Commended students: Tim Ayers, Stephen Gibbs, Chip Grimes, Chris Hill, Mark Kaplan, Morris Lewis, David Pack, Jeff Robinson, Mark Smith, Greg Stroup, and Tim Warnock. MBA continues to be a leader in the country in the percentage of the class that attains this high honor which is based on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Tests (PSAT). We are proud of these 23 young men.

DEBATE AND SPEECH TEAMS CONTINUE TO EXCEL

The Debate and Speech programs of MBA are well known for their many accomplishments. This year's debaters have brought home numerous trophies including an excellent third place finish in the prestigious Northwestern University Debate Tournament. Our debate team includes George Cate, Joe Calvin, Scott Greer, and Scott Campbell.. Doing exceedingly well in speech are Alex Grimsley (with a wired jaw) and Jim Harrison in extemporaneous speech, Hale Hooper in poetry, and David McMackin in prose. We congratulate our orators.

THE CHESS TEAM MOVES

The very active chess team has participated in several matches to date and has been impressive. Some of the leading chessmen are: Matt Dolloff, Mark Finks, Ted Carver, Atit Desai, and Wes Roberts. George Cheij had a 5-0 record in the Mid-State Chess Tournament. A school-wide chess tournament is in progress and some of the faculty have held their own with the bright, younger knights.

THE SNOW POLICY

Classes will be held each school day unless an announcement to the contrary is made on Channel 4, Channel 5, or WSM radio. We do not want students jeopardizing life or limb to reach school during serious snow days, but we do expect every reasonable effort to be made. Parental excuses are necessary for any absence when school is in session.

If school should be closed on an examination day, the exam scheduled that day will be held on the first day school is in session. Student help sessions will likewise rotate to the next day. For example, English exams will be held on Tuesday if Monday, the regular English exam day, is a day on which school is closed.

THE OUTING CLUB TRAVELS

Led by art teacher Jim Womack, the Outing Club has traveled to rivers for whitewatering, mountains for backpacking, and ski slopes for the obvious. Although over sixty boys signed for membership in the club, frequently all students have had an opportunity to take part in these exciting ventures.

ART SHOWS

Nashville artist Larry Whitson will have an exhibit in the Patrick Wilson Library Gallery beginning January 27. Parents are invited to the opening from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on January 27.

Jim Womack, MBA art instructor, exhibited in November and December in the Patrick Wilson Library Gallery. Currently on exhibit is a "Peek at First Semester," a selection of student works from 1st semester in a variety of mediums including sculpture, silkscreen, and painting.

The Art Committee of the Ladies' Auxiliary is scheduling other artists for shows each month in the Second Semester. Parents will receive invitations to openings, but we hope you will feel free to visit the shows at your convenience. Also, student woodcuts and drawings were on display during Christmas at the Vanderbilt Childrens' Hospital.

CONCERT BAND SURVEY

At the conclusions of New and Views is a survey of your interest in a concert band. Several parents have expressed much interest, and I am personally very hopeful a start can be made. We now want to get some names to determine whether more investigation is necessary. The band might practice before school each morning. A charge of \$30.00 per month would pay for the daily instruction by a highly trained Band Director. No previous musical experience is necessary.

We feel this opportunity is worthy of your serious consideration as we seek to extend the MBA Arts program. Please complete and return the survey if you are interested.

A LETTER FROM AUXILIARY PRESIDENT JOY HALEY

"Dear Auxiliary Member,

"Our Spaghetti Supper was a tremendous success! MBA is truly indebted to Fay Carpenter and her 1979 chairman, Peggy Warner, Edwyna Griscom, Johnell Russell and Jane Rowland. They were great! And to each Auxiliary member who contributed in so many ways, we thank you. The proceeds from the Spaghetti Supper are \$19,024.81.

"The Auxiliary board met with Mr. Bondurant and made the following breakdown for the use of this money:

Forensics.....	\$1,200.00
Teacher Enrichment.....	2,500.00
Art Acquisition.....	500.00
Headmaster's Discretionary Fund....	1,000.00
Music Appreciation.....	100.00
Van Insurance (2 vans).....	2,000.00
1980 Van.....	9,356.25
Chess Registration.....	100.00
Spring Arts Festival.....	300.00
Three Commercial Hair Dryers for locker room.....	1,500.00
Two Large Coffee Pots.....	150.00
Two Crystal Punch Bowls.....	100.00
Cheerleaders' Fund.....	500.00
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	\$19,306.25

"The Auxiliary has applied \$6,349.00 toward the purchase of a new 1980 van. This amount was taken from the contingency transportation fund. This leaves the Auxiliary with \$6,348.96 in savings.

"If you have any objections, please call Joy Haley (297-6364). If not, we will assume that you are in agreement with these decisions, and MBA will use the money as allocated.

Sincerely,

Joy Haley
President, MBA Auxiliary"

AND A LETTER TO OUR MBA FAMILY

Dear Family.

The Spaghetti Supper can only be described as a "happening" and a grand one at that! The cooperation of every single man, woman, and child associated with MBA was necessary to make this the most successful Supper ever. I believe we had 100% of our mothers doing major jobs to put on the Supper, and I know we had 100% support of MBA students in selling tickets. Our school average was over \$44.00 per student in sales. Moms and Dads, we thank you for your support in ticket purchasing as well.

From students and faculty, we express heartfelt gratitude for this wonderfully unifying and significantly productive effort. MBA gains when all work together.

NEW YORK THEATER TRIP A SUCCESS

Six MBA students and English/Drama instructor Jim Poston spent several mid-November days in New York City. Art museums and Broadway shows were observed with great interest, entertainment, and edification.

BLOODMOBILE VISIT DRAWS SENIORS

The Fall trip to the campus of the Red Cross Bloodmobile brought out twenty-seven donors, eighteen first timers. This number is particularly remarkable considering the fact that only seniors who were not in football at the time were eligible to donate.

STADIUM IMPROVEMENTS

The Frank M. Andrews Stadium was the scene of many happy moments this season. Two of the nicest surprises are the clearly new and understandable speaker system contributed by General Communications and Electronics and the solid concrete ramp from the gymnasium gate to the football field given by Larry Hayes. The Fathers Club was instrumental in both endeavors. Thanks, folks.

PARENTS AT DANCES MAKE HIT

"Aw, come on, Mom, you can't dance.....at least not in front of me." But dance some parents did, and we hope all of our parents will attend our upcoming dances. The Ladies Auxiliary is helping us find parent chaperones for the dances, and we need you! If you cannot dance or if the music is too loud, help us pour punch and serve cookies. Many mothers helped immensely with our Christmas dance by making the punch--14 gallons--and cookies--14 boxes. We also want to thank the following couples for chaperoning the dance: Marceleen and Bob Alford, in charge, Marcy and Seawell Brandau, Martha Ann and Buddy Caldwell, Judy and Bob Calton, Joan and Nick Daugherty, Fran and John Hardcastle, Carmen and Jim Morrissey, Dean and Bob Reeves, Joyce and Bill Warner, Peggy and John Warner. Fran and John made a real hit on the dance floor. Great sports they are.

FOOTBALL, CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS EXCEL

The MBA varsity football team brought the entire MBA family many exciting moments and memorable events on their way to a 11-1 season and a Clinic Bowl appearance. From early August to late Thanksgiving the coaches, players and managers worked hard and played hard. We say "Thank you" for a season that will go down as one of our school's greatest.

The Cross Country team won the NIL title with the fine running and leadership of people like Joe Hymel, Art Hancock, Allen Moore, Rich Good, Scott Campbell, Steve Stevens, Anderson Spickard, and Walt Zibas. The future looks good for Cross Country.

Our Junior Varsity, Freshman and Microbe teams in football and cross country had successful seasons. We are proud of them and very happy that over 60% of our men played on some team this fall.

Symbols:

V - Varsity
JV - Junior Varsity
F - Freshman
M - Microbe

ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Symbols:

BB - Basketball
W - Wrestling
H - Home
A - Away

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	OPPONENT	TIME
Jan. 18.....	VBB.....	(H).....	Glenclyff.....	8:00 p.m.
	JVBB.....	(H).....	Glenclyff.....	6:30 p.m.
	FBB.....	(A).....	BGA.....	5:00 p.m.
	MBB.....	(H).....	BGA.....	3:30 p.m.
	VW.....	(A).....	Bellevue Tournament	
	FW.....	(A).....	McGavock Tournament	
Jan. 19.....	VBB.....	(H).....	Cohn.....	8:00 p.m.
	JVBB.....	(H).....	Cohn.....	6:30 p.m.
	VW.....	(A).....	Bellevue Tournament	
	FW.....	(A).....	McGavock Tournament	
Jan. 21.....	VW.....	(H).....	Maplewood.....	4:00 p.m.
	FW.....	(H).....	Apello and Springfield.....	3:15 p.m.
Jan. 22.....	VBB.....	(A).....	Goodpasture.....	8:00 p.m.
	JVBB.....	(A).....	Goodpasture.....	6:30 p.m.
	MBB.....	(A).....	Page.....	4:30 p.m.
Jan. 23.....	FW.....	(A).....	White's Creek.....	3:30 p.m.
Jan. 24.....	VW.....	(H).....	White's Creek and Bellevue.....	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 25.....	VBB.....	(A).....	Overton.....	8:00 p.m.
	JVBB.....	(A).....	Overton.....	4:30 p.m.
	FBB.....	(H).....	Overton.....	4:00 p.m.
	MBB.....	(A).....	Castle Heights.....	3:30 p.m.
	VW.....	(A).....	Triangle Match at Glenclyff	
	FW.....	(H).....	MBA Classic Tournament	
Jan. 26.....	FW.....	(H).....	MBA Classic Tournament	
Jan. 29.....	VBB.....	(A).....	Father Ryan.....	8:00 p.m.
	JVBB.....	(A).....	Father Ryan.....	6:30 p.m.
	FBB.....	(H).....	Father Ryan.....	4:00 p.m.
	VW.....	(H).....	Overton.....	4:00 p.m.
Jan. 31.....	FBB.....	(A).....	Bellevue.....	4:00 p.m.

ATHLETIC SCHEDULE (Cont'd)

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	OPPONENT	TIME
Feb. 1.....	VBB.....(A).....	Hillwood at Harpeth Hall.....	8:00 p.m.	
	MBB.....(H).....	Ensworth.....	3:15 p.m.	
	VW.....(A).....	District Tournament at Ryan		
Feb. 2.....	VBB.....(A).....	BGA.....	8:00 p.m.	
	JVBB.....(A).....	BGA.....	6:30 p.m.	
	VW.....(A).....	District Tournament at Ryan		
Feb. 5.....	VBB.....(A).....	Antioch.....	8:00 p.m.	
	JVBB.....(A).....	Antioch.....	8:00 p.m.	
Feb. 7.....	VW.....(A).....	Regional Tournament at Glencliff		
Feb. 8.....	VBB.....(H).....	Pearl.....	8:00 p.m.	
	JVBB.....(H).....	Pearl.....	6:30 p.m.	
	MBB.....(A).....	Northside.....	4:30 p.m.	
	VW.....(A).....	Regional Tournament at Glencliff		
Feb. 9.....	VW.....(A).....	Regional Tournament at Glencliff		
Feb. 12.....	VBB.....(H).....	Hillsboro.....	8:00 p.m.	
	JVBB.....(H).....	Hillsboro.....	4:30 p.m.	
	MBB.....(A).....	Nashville Christian School.....	4:30 p.m.	
Feb. 15.....	VW.....(A).....	State Tournament at Glencliff		
	MBB.....(H).....	Franklin Road Academy.....	3:15 p.m.	
Feb. 16.....	VW.....(A).....	State Tournament at Glencliff		
Feb. 18.....	VBB.....(A).....	District Tournament at Glencliff		
Feb. 19.....	MBB.....(H).....	Brentwood.....	3:15 p.m.	
Feb. 25 to...	MBB.....	H.V.A.C. Tournament		
Mar. 1				

MONTGOMERY BELL ACADEMY CONCERT BAND SURVEY ...

(Please complete and return to school office if interested)

Student's name _____

Full Address _____

Zip _____

Phone _____ Grade/Year _____

Interested In: full participation____/ limited participation____.

Instrument played or preferred _____

Second choice or double _____

Previous experience (if any) _____

I already own an instrument____/ I would need a rental instrument____.

My proficiency level is: Advanced____/ Mid-level____/ Beginner____.

It is understood a modest charge will be necessary to pay the instructor.

Student's signature _____

Parent's signature _____

Mail to: Montgomery Bell Academy
4001 Harding Road
Nashville, Tennessee 37205

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